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I am in Support of this House Concurrent Resolution, Recognizing the "30th Anniversary of the Srebrenica Genocide." We MUST NEVER FORGET.



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My name is Clint Zweifel and I want to register support for HCR 10, which designates July 11, 2025 as Srebrenica Genocide Remembrance Day in Missouri. As a former Missouri legislator and statewide official, I understand the demands of your agenda and schedule for each session and that often budget bills and legislation often come before House Resolutions. But I do believe, especially in 2025, it is important to pass this resolution now. I am moved by this specific House Resolution for the following reasons: 1. 2020 is the 30th Anniversary of the Srebrenica genocide, in which more than 8,000 Bosnian men and boys were systemically executed. It is the only crime in Europe since WWII that has been declared a genocide. 2. Saint Louis, Missouri is home to about 70,000 Bosnians, the largest number of Bosnians outside Bosnia. These families have contributed to the Saint Louis region and Missouri overall for nearly 30 years, building businesses and families in a way that makes Missouri stronger. 3. I often think about our Missouri history as a shared history, meaning that we all share the history of our neighbors who comprise our State. Honoring that history is an important way to lift up our fellow neighbors who contribute so much to our communities. And in this case, it is even more critical, where leaders of conscience must stand against genocide denial so that future generations can learn from this terrible tragedy. Thank you for your service and the opportunity to share testimony.



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My name is Elvir Ahmetovic, one of the survivors of the Srebrenica genocide. I was an 11 year old boy when the Bosnian War started in 1992. I could not have imagined what an ordeal my family and I would go through in the following three and a half years. During the course of the war the town of Srebrenica besieged the Serb armed forces and its inhabitants subjected to merciless bombardments, which resulted in a massacre and death of thousands of innocent civilians. In addition to being shot at on a daily basis, the population was suffering from extreme starvation due to complete blockade prevention of humanitarian aid by Serb authorities. The town of Srebrenica - a UN safe zone - was quite literally a concentration camp in the open, where more than 50 000 civilians were at the mercy of Serb aggressors. In 1992 my four year old sister Mirela was killed by an artillery shell that was fired by the Serb forces. My mother was gravely injured while trying to save Mirela. Less than a year later, my uncle, who was eighteen the time, was killed as well. Then, in July of 1995, when Srebrenica was taken over by the Serbs, my grandfather was separated from the rest of the family, and brutally executed. His partial remains were exhumed more than 20 years later, after which he was laid to rest at Srebrenica Genocide Memorial cemetery. Like thousands of my fellow Bosnians, among which many are from Srebrenica, I immigrated to the United States and settled in St. Louis, Missouri. I am deeply grateful to the United States government and the people of Missouri for their generosity and assistance in helping Bosnian refugees rebuild their lives far away from their homeland. Thank you for giving us an opportunity to make Missouri our new home and become productive members of our community. I wholeheartedly hope that the resolution will be adopted as an act of official recognition of the Srebrenica Genocide by the people of Missouri, and the strong bond between Bosnian-Americans and Missourians who generously welcomed us in the hour of our greatest need.



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